

A Guide For Selecting Wedding Music

Pre-service Music:

Pre-service music generally begins about 30 minutes before the service begins. It is completed when it becomes time to begin the service. It is a great time to have guest vocalists and instrumentalists. If there are pieces from the pre-service box that you would enjoy, they could be placed here. If neither of these are applicable, I will choose music to play during this time.

Processional Music:

The Entrance of the Mothers: The mothers' process in at the time the wedding is to begin.

Please choose a piece from the 3rd box that you would prefer for the Mother's Procession.

The Entrance of the Bridesmaids: The bridesmaids process in after the mothers have been seated.

Please choose a piece from the 3rd box that you would prefer for the Bridesmaid Procession.

The Entrance of the Bride: The bride processes in after the bridesmaids have taken their positions in the front.

Please choose a piece from either of the last two boxes for the Bridal Procession.

Service Music:

Hymns: There are many hymns that can be used for a wedding service.

If you would like a hymn(s) to be sung during this service, please choose one or more from the 1st box.

Unity Candle: There are generally 3 options for music during this time.

1. The congregation can sing a hymn.
2. Guest musicians can sing/play during this time.
3. The organist can play some music.

Please specify which number would best fit your situation.

Special Music: If you have a guest musician, it would be good to use this musician somewhere during the service.

Please specify if you are having any guest musicians for your wedding.

Recessional Music: This is the music that is played as the bride/groom recess out of the church.

Please choose a piece from the 3rd box that you would prefer for the Recessional

Post-service Music:

Post-service music begins when the recessional has been completed. I generally play until the church is empty. It is a great time to use guest vocalists and instrumentalists. If there are pieces from the last box that you would enjoy, they could be placed here. If neither of these are applicable, I will choose music to play during this time.

Reminders:

1. It is required that we meet to finalize music. If you have special considerations, please speak with me.
2. If you are hiring guest musicians, use them as much as possible.
3. The more familiar you are with the recordings, the more informed you will be in the planning.